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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

QUESTION OF AMERICAN RESERVATIONS.

LONDON, January 2. The Daily Telegraph New York correspondent says Senator Hitchcock, the Government Senate Leader, discussed with Viscount Grey the proposed reservation limiting voting power of the League of Nations. The latter pointed out the seriousness of the results that would be entailed by the adoption of such a reservation. Canada and Australia would immediately protest and he indicated that they had so impressed their view upon the London Government that it would be compelled to back them up. In his opinion disruption of the League would result. Viscount Grey said in conversation with Senators and other officials, that those who insist upon this reservation were unduly alarmed over the possibilities of separate votes for the British Dominions, but they were conjuring up chimerical dangers, as if it insists upon equalling the voting power of the United States and the British Empire in the League Assembly. Senator Hitchcock asked whether the Johnson reservation, which the Senate rejected and which aimed at the equalisation of the voting strength giving the United States as many votes as the combined votes of Great Britain and the Dominions, namely six, would be more acceptable to the British Colonies. He said he thought it would, but pointed out that France, Italy and the other Powers having but one vote would protest that they were unfairly discriminated against and they too should have six votes. Senator Hitchcock made no secret of the fact that he feared the question would prove one of the hardest to adjust.

AVIATION.

FROM FRANCE TO SAIGON.

Paris, January 3. A French aeroplane is leaving Paris on January 3 for Saigon, via Athens, Antioch, Karachi, Allahabad, Rangoon and Bangkok.

THOSE PARIS JOURNALISTS.

PARIS, January 3. The press gives prominence to news from Washington that America gives Japan a free hand in Siberia.

THE MOULDER'S STRIKE.

PROVISIONAL SETTLEMENT REACHED.

A provisional settlement has been reached in the moulder's strike, the terms being subject to the men's ballot.

The employers agree to a weekly increase of 5s. Work is being resumed before January 13 and all strikers will be taken back without victimisation on either side.

AUSTRALIA'S BAD CASE.

LONDON, January 3. The coal situation in Austria is unprecedentedly critical. All passenger trains have stopped during the past ten days and there is a likelihood of an early total cessation of electric light and tramways in Vienna.

DANISH STEAMER MINES.

GOTHENBURG, January 3. The Danish steamer "Jemtland" hit a mine north of Jutland and was lost. Only five people were killed.

SOUTHERN RUSSIA.

PARIS, January 3. The Supreme Council has decided on steps for the evacuation of the population of Southern Russia which is threatened by the Bolshevik invasion.

TRROUBLING ARABS.

LONDON, December 31. An official announcement says the Arabs who seized Denizkoy, as mentioned on December 19, are now dispersing for want of food and organisation. Tribes in the middle Euphrates show determined hostility to the invaders. Albukenal was occupied on December 21. All is quiet. The British personnel captured at Denizkoy by the Arabs have been released and have rejoined the British force.

DENIKIN OUTED?

LONDON, January 3. A Bolshevik wireless states that owing to defeat a coup d'état has occurred at Denikin's headquarters and a new Government was established with General Romanovskiy replacing Denikin.

DO JAPANESE DISLIKE COLD CLIMATE?

LONDON, Jan. 7. The newspapers give prominence to the serious position of Kolchak and Denikin and the importance of a resolve to check Bolshevikism in eastern Siberia. A high authority interviewed by the Daily Mail said the presence of the Japanese in eastern Siberia will prove the salvation of Siberia, and even of Manchuria from Bolshevik control. He did not think the Japanese would make territorial claims in east Siberia. His experience had taught him they had an innate dislike of cold climates. The Japanese population would not desire to colonise eastern Siberia. Their colonial aspirations lay farther south. What the Japanese would ask for and probably be granted were certain trading and mining concessions.

LABOUR WINE BY-ELECTION.

London, January 3. The Spenn Valley election resulted as follows: Mr. Myern, Labourite, 11,902; Sir John Simon, Liberal, 10,244; Coloni Fairfax, Coalition Liberal, 8,134.

AMERICAN "ROUND-UP OF RADICALS."

NEW YORK, January 3. The greatest round-up of Radicals in the history of the country took place last evening several thousands being arrested in all parts of the country. It is expected they will be deported in large batches. Some of the arrested people are American born but the majority are foreigners, there being numerous Russians.

WE DO NOT DIE.

LONDON, January 3. The Times New York correspondent says Count Plunkett was highly amused at the anxiety of reporters to know if he was dead. The London agency which issued the original statement, explains the correspondent, in giving the day on which he departed for Battle Creek contracted Wednesday into "Wed," which was misread in New York as "died."

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

COMING TRADE SHOW.

LONDON, January 2nd. In connection with the anticipated trade boom in 1920, great schemes are being prepared by British traders to give Britain domination in the world's markets.

The Daily Mail says that one of the schemes being pushed forward by the Department of Overseas Trade is designed to interest buyers in the Dominions Overseas. It will, in brief, be a British Empire Exhibition, and will be held at two or three principal commercial centres in the Empire every year much on the lines of the present British Industries Fair.

The exhibition will go from one show to another, so that the utmost publicity will be given with the minimum of expense and inconvenience to buyers and merchants generally.

Shows will be held in South Africa, Australia, Canada, India and other places, and the goods shown will be those for which a big demand exists and for which a greater development is required in any particular market.

LIMERICK POST OFFICE RAIDED.

LONDON, January 2nd. A masked man leading an armed party of twenty raided the Limerick Post Office at midnight.

The sorting office was ransacked. It is estimated that £4,000 in cash was taken, also postal orders and other property.

The men intimidated the staff of twelve men who were warned not to follow the raiders or they would be shot. The raiders picketed the approaches.

No arrests have so far been made. The mail is now installed at the Post Office.

OBITUARY.

The death is announced of the Right Hon. Sir Frank Lascelles, G.C.B., G.O.M.G., G.C.V.O.

[Sir Frank Lascelles was born on March 2nd, 1841, and was the fifth son of the late Rt. Hon. W. S. S. Lascelles, M.P. and Caroline, the eldest daughter of the sixth Earl of Carlisle. He entered the Diplomatic Service in 1861. In 1879, he was appointed Agent and Consul-General in Bulgaria. He was transferred in 1882 to Roumania as Minister and in 1891 to the same official capacity in Russia. In 1894, he was appointed Ambassador to Russia in 1894. A year later, he went to Germany as Ambassador and remained there till 1905.]

ESTHONIAN ARMISTICE.

LONDON, January 2nd. The Estonian Armistice has been confirmed.

It marks a fresh impetus to Bolshevikism, and there are already indications that Latvia may begin to negotiate with Soviet Russia.

The Armistice is for seven days and is renewable weekly. It defines the frontiers and neutral zones, and provides for Bolshevik recognition of Estonia's independence and the neutralisation of the Gulf of Finland.

The Bolsheviks undertake not to have forces to the west of the river Velikaja, Pärnu and Sprentsi.

Meanwhile, a Red communiqué claims that a break through the Don front is developing most rapidly. It has resulted in the capture of thousands of prisoners. It is thought that Deniken will not be able to save Rostov and Novocherkassk, while the capture of Ekaterinodar is most important, enabling the Reds to consolidate on both banks of the Donets, which will ultimately open the road to the Crimea, Kherson and Odessa.

LATE.

The Associated Press correspondent at Dorpat states that the Armistice absolves Estonia from the obligations arising from its former connection with the Russian State. Moreover, the Estonians are not required to expel General Yudenitch's troops until after the ratification of the Peace Treaty.

IRKUTSK IN A STATE OF SIEGE.

LONDON, January 2nd. Rester has ascertained that a result of revolutionary movements, Irkutsk, the present administrative centre of the Kolchak Government, has been declared to be in a state of siege. All measures have been taken for the safety of the town.

The Japanese are trying to prevent armed conflict, and are determined to stop the revolutionaries from crossing the Amur river, which runs north-west from Balaiki into the Yenisei river.

STUBBORN MAHSUD RESISTANCE.

MANDARAKA, December 22nd. The last three days have witnessed the fiercest fighting ever known on the frontier.

The Mahsuds' resistance was most stubborn. Our casualties exceeded those of the whole Tirah Campaign, but the tribesmen also suffered severely. Probably for the first time in history, the Pathans left fifty dead on the hilltops. The Indian Army fought splendidly. One regiment of the Pioneers alternately fought hand-to-hand with the enemy and built defences for the troops moving up from the rear.

A bugler boy, when left with a few men, seized a piccone which he swung wildly and cracked Mahsud skulls like old Umlapogans and returned to camp laden with his trophies.

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A Quantity of
Dress Materials, Flannel and
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Dressing Table, Chest-of-drawers, (Po-
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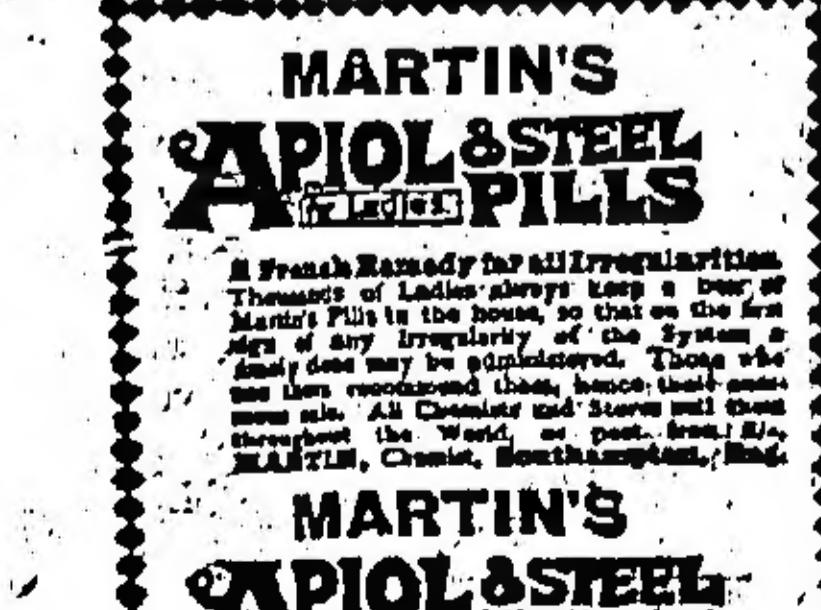
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BOXING.

A NEW BOOK.

The boxing boom Hongkong is at present enjoying and the formation of a boxing association to control the contests staged here has brought into being a useful little volume on the rules of boxing written by Mr. F. C. Jenkins, a well-known barrister of the Colony, who during his connection with the Police Reserves was prominently connected with the contests organised by that body. Now as a member of the Committee of the Hongkong Boxing Association he has turned his attention to the rules governing the game and in his book he compares and more or less coordinates the three well-known sets of rules. He dedicates his work to "John Charles Wildin, manager, Hongkong Boxing Association, in remembrance of many successful Police Reserve Meetings and in token of his ability to unfailingly guarantee a 'straight fight.'" Following an introduction in which the wide powers of the referee are emphasised, the author proceeds to deal with the rules of boxing, pointing out many differences in reading which are of importance to competitors. For instance in regard to the knock-out blow, which is always looked upon as a winning punch, the compiler notes that "none of the rules contain any provision that the knock-out blow shall be conclusive in favour of the man delivering it." There is no reference of a positive nature as to the value to be given to it. Its conclusiveness is, however, clearly negatived by the N.S.C. rules which require that the person delivering it shall also lead on points. The total of points is the one decisive factor. The Rule is imperative "The referee shall decide all contests in favour of the contestant who obtains the greatest number of marks." The strict reading of this rule seems to be more honoured in the breach than in the observance and it is not likely that we shall see a knocked out competitor awarded the fight on points. The same rules, however, further state that "A contestants failing to continue the contest at the expiration of ten seconds shall not be awarded any marks for that round and the contest shall terminate." There are many similar instances of interesting comparisons between the rules and a competitor can hardly fail to benefit by giving it close study, while the sporting public from its perusal may gain a better knowledge of the game and perhaps some sympathy with the referee in his arduous position. The book will abbreviate many an argument in future.

"SKY" KERRISON'S CHALLENGER.
Seaman Parsons, of H.M.S. "Ambrose," whose challenge to "Sky" Kerrison, the Welterweight Champion of the Colony, has been accepted for Saturday night next is in training at the V.R.C., and is stated by the Boxing Association's Manager to be in splendid form. Less than eighteen months ago Parsons fought Eddie Barrie, Welterweight Champion of Scotland, at the Glasgow National Sporting Club. It is expected that the local Champion will have to put all he knows into his fighting on Saturday. In height and reach there is little, if any, difference between the men. Their weights are the same.

PRIZES IN THE NOVICES COMPETITION.
A very fine collection of silver cups is on exhibition in the windows of Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, these having been selected for the Winner, Runner-up and Best Loser in each class in the Novices Competition to be held on Friday and Saturday.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

[By Arrangement with the *Wah Tsze*
Yat Po.]

SHANGHAI, Jan. 6.
The Cabinet offered sacrifice to the late President Fung Kwok Cheung to-day. The funeral service will take place on the 2nd February.

The Premier intends to resign the portfolio of the Ministry of War so as to concentrate his whole attention on Cabinet affairs.

General Luk Kam reports that there are arriving several thousand of Bolsheviks at Urga. A military detachment is sent out to suppress them.

The 5th Division of the Northern Forces, formerly under the command of the ex-President (deceased), are reported to be in a state of mutiny owing to the rumour that the death of their commander may lead to their disbandment. Every precaution is being taken.

Over a hundred of the old members of Parliament had a conference at Peking yesterday. This is considered to mean a movement towards peace between North and South.

In reply to the Military Government's enquiry, the Cabinet wired to Mr. Chum Chu Hsien stating that the aeroplane loan has been suspended.

The Cabinet also wires to request the Military Government to cancel the agreement made between the Canton Government and the foreign merchants for running an electric tramway at Canton for twenty years on the rent of £1,000,000.

A joint telegram has been sent by the Northern Military Governors to

A LADY-IN-WAITING.

Sh! Tell it not in Gath—but, All my life long, I have been a Lady-in-waiting!

Ever since I can remember, I have been waiting for a MAN—

Waiting for him to grow up,

Waiting for him to notice me,

Waiting for him to ask me to dance.

Waiting for him to call, evenings,

Waiting for him to go home!

Waiting for him to fall in love,

Waiting for him to discover that he had fallen in love.

Waiting for him to ADMIT it!

Waiting for him to get the courage to kiss me.

Waiting for him to propose!

Waiting for him to make enough money to marry on.

Waiting at the church,

Waiting for him to wake up, morning.

Waiting breakfast for him.

Waiting for him to find his shoes—and his socks—and his collar button.

Waiting for him to finish with the newspaper.

Waiting for him to come home to dinner.

Waiting for him to finish telling his favourite story.

Waiting for him to come back from the golf links.

Waiting for him to LOOK at me when I have on a new hat.

Waiting for a compliment.

Waiting for him to "understand" me.

Waiting for him to discover "what a wonderful woman I am!"

Waiting for him to SAY so!

And, I am still waiting—

For him to GROW UP!

But, I know in the bottom of my heart, somehow.

That he never, never WILL!

And, perhaps,

When your husband—or some other woman's husband—reads this,

He will good-naturedly admit that, after all, the "patient" martyr roles are about evenly divided.

And, that all the agonizing moments he has spent in waiting for you to powder your nose, or curl your hair, or to decide which hat to wear, or to say "good by"—and all that.

Have been nobly and fully offset by the dumb, eternal patience of the woman who waits-for-a-man-she loves.

And that every WIFE, Is a Lady-in-waiting!—Helen Rowland in *Washington Post*.

AN APPEALED CASE.

A Chinese who was recently convicted on a charge of snatching some rice from two Chinese women on the Douglas Wharf, appeared before Mr. N. L. Smith this morning and made, through his solicitor, Mr. Leo d'Almada, an appeal against the sentence. Mr. d'Almada raised the following points in favour of his client's claim: (1) that he possessed a very good certificate from the Inland Water Transport Company of Calcutta to character; (2) that he had a fortune of 1,000 rupees when he left Calcutta; (3) that he had no need to steal as he could live very comfortably on his fortune; (4) that he was unemployed because he was taking a rest to recover his shattered health; and (5) that he would like to draw his Worship's attention to the arresting fact that if he had felt so inclined, he could have jumped his \$50 bail after he had been allowed out on bail his notice of appeal.

His Worship weighed these points with the evidence against him and found them wanting, and decided that he would have to abide by his previous decision. The defendant therefore has to serve his sentence of one month.

SERVED 40,000 SUMMONSES.

During the fifteen and a half years he has acted as warrant officer at the Marylebone Police-court, Thomas Williams has served over 40,000 summonses, executed thousands of committal warrants, travelled practically all over the country, covered every part of London and the suburbs, carried out the ejection of hundreds of people from their homes for non-payment of rent, and assisted in the administration of the poor box of the court. On one occasion he travelled over 840 miles to secure the attendance at the court of a labourer for the recovery of a debt of £2 4s to his wife, the railway fares amounting to £4 17s 9d. Williams has just resigned from the Force, on pension, to take up a position at the Marylebone County Court.

those of the South urging peace. The telegram is a long and strong one.

It is reported General Ni Chi Chung, of Anhui, is dead, and that General Tuan Chi Ju has sent an urgent telegram to recall General Chu Tsang from Urga with the intention of appointing him as Tschun of Anhui.

UNWHOLESALE FOOD.

When a Chinese was this morning charged with the possession of unwholesome food—to wit, some pork, he told Mr. Wood that the pork was given him by two men whom he did not know. He was to carry it for them. It was not his.

Sergeant Ellis of the Yaumaidi Station said he was on patrol duty in Shanghai Street, Yaumaidi, at about 12.30 p.m., yesterday, when a man came up to him and pointing to the defendant, told him that he had stolen a pig. Witness went up to the defendant who was standing near house No. 233 with a basket in his hand. He looked into the basket and saw the carcass of a pig. He took the defendant to the station with the intention of charging him with "unlawful possession, but Inspector Gerrard sent the carcass to Dr. Gibson to be examined and it was reported that the carcass was that of a pig which had died of some disease.

Dr. Gibson giving evidence, said that he examined the carcass early afternoon, when it was brought to him by a Chinese constable in plain clothes, and he found that the dressed carcass was that of a pig which had died of some disease or other. The pork was not stale, but it was not fit for human consumption. The carcass was badly dressed. He sent the carcass to the sanatorium to be destroyed.

His Worship (Inspector Gerrard).

Did you see Dr. Gibson examine the pork?—No, Your Worship, I was in Court at the time. Unfortunately,

it cannot be produced now, as Dr. Gibson has had it burnt. I did not know Dr. Gibson would have destroyed it.

His Worship remanded the case until to-morrow so that the inspector can produce witness to prove that the carcass examined by Dr. Gibson was the same as the one found in the defendant's possession. Bail was fixed in the sum of \$25.

KEENAN HAS SPLENDID SUPPORT—WELL-NIGH ALL-STAR CAST.

Frank Keenan, who has been aptly described as "America's greatest character-actor," is now an independent producer of motion picture features, having decided that this was the only way in which he could give free rein to his artistic instincts.

For "The Master Man," first of the "Keenan Specials" to emanate from the Brunton studio at Los Angeles, Mr. Keenan has selected well-nigh an all-star combination. It includes such well-known names as those of Kathleen Kirkham, as "Janice Ritter"; Jack Brammall, Joseph McManus, Hardee Kirkland, Joseph J. Dowling, William V. Mong, Joseph Rae, J. Barney Sherry and many other screen favourites. To this roster must be added Ernest C. Warde, the talented director who has been so long associated with Mr. Keenan.

"The Master Man" will be presented at the Coronet theatre tomorrow, and we are promised a triumph of the art of character delineation with Frank Keenan playing the part of Emanuel Blake, attorney-general, political boss, and head of the party "machine" which holds fast the State within its corrupt grip until a woman's influence shows Blake the error of his ways.

SLY FANTAN

Two Chinese living in a house in Kennedy Street, Wan Chai, were this morning charged before Mr. J. R. Wood with being the keepers of a common gaming house, and pleaded not guilty. After Sergeant Cockle had given evidence as to entering the house on search warrant and to finding fantan implements on the first floor of the house, his Worship convicted the defendants and sentenced them to a fine of \$100 each, or, in default, 2 months hard labour. \$6.40 found on the gambling table, a large quantity of cash, and \$1.56 and \$1.20 found on the defendants' persons respectively, were ordered to be confiscated.

Later on, a Chinese woman entered the Court and addressed the Usher in a high tone. She was immediately quieted and conducted to the well of the Court. When his Worship had dealt with the case in hand, he called the woman and asked what she wanted, and she replied that she wanted to know the amount of the fine imposed on the two men convicted on a charge of keeping a common gaming house. She was referred to the shroff, and the Court proceeded with its work.

THE LATE MR. J. H. MEAD.

The body of the late Mr. J. H. Mead is expected to arrive in Hongkong on Saturday next and the funeral will take place on Monday, starting from Stone Pier at 5 p.m.

TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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CHINA COAST OFFICERS' AND ENGINEERS' GUILDS

One of the striking events of the recent shipping crisis at Hongkong was the manner in which the two factions of the Officers' and Engineers' Guilds worked together in handling the interests of their respective members during the strike. Everything connected with the work thereof was carried on by the two respective Guilds in complete harmony and co-operation, one with the other, and the individual unity of purpose which marked the carrying out of the strike until arbitration was agreed to by the shipping companies affected, brings to the fore a question that is indeed of great import.

On the China coast we have, when compared to the world's shipping, but a very small fraction of the whole tonnage and, as on the Indian coast, the interests of the officers and engineers are absolutely identical. It, therefore, seems strange that two separate Guilds should be requisite to look after the separate interests of the officers and engineers concerned, and with the hearty spirit of co-operation which existed between the Officers' and Engineers' Guilds at Hongkong when the strike was proceeding, there is no reason why a closer working arrangement should not be arrived at between the two Guilds or even an amalgamation effected. Should such a thing ever come to pass, and it is not improbable in the near future, there is but little doubt to be entertained that the position of the two, at the present time, separate Guilds, would be greatly improved and strengthened in more ways than one.

This by no means is intended to convey that there is anything wrong with the present working arrangements of the two Guilds. The manner in which they cooperated during the strike at Hongkong clearly shows the evidence of a sound working policy. What is meant to convey is the fact that when it is considered, the comparatively speaking, small number of European officers and engineers that man the shipping services of the coastal companies, it would appear that one representative body, comprised of an equal number of officers and engineers on the committee of the amalgamated Guilds, could work in the interests of the personnel that is represented, smoothly, more quickly and with a better understanding than would be the case when we have two separate Guilds, in spite of the fact that the interests of the respective parties are identical. There are, of course, many arguments which may be advanced objecting to such an arrangement but the sound objective at the bottom of the question cannot for a moment be waived or overlooked.

In Great Britain it is well known that the greatest hindrance to the obtaining of better conditions for the marine officers and engineers has always been the number of representative societies in existence. Apparently the majority of these societies have generally been aiming towards the same point—having the interests of the profession which it represents at heart, but there has never been anything like an organised attempt to co-operate and work towards the common goal. Too much time and money has been generally spent in extensively advertising the various merits of each society and it would appear that a large number of organisations have been in existence, principally, to provide comfortable berths for the staff employed or some such similar thing.

But, in China what Guilds there are, are known to have but the interests of a profession represented at heart, and therefore, as there are two distinct Guilds representing the officers and engineers on the coast, could a closer working arrangement be inaugurated or an amalgamation effected between the two, it can plainly be seen that the interests of the marine officers and engineers in the coast vessels could be not otherwise than better served.—*Shipping and Engineering.*

POST-WAR UNIFORMS.

The military experts have been discussing what uniform our army shall wear in peace-time, but so far definite opinion has been reached. This means that there are a few people still left who wish to go back to the highly decorative "regimentals" of the pre-war era. But if they imagine that there was anything of sentiment in the evolution of modern military uniforms they are wrong. The uniform first came in with the establishment of standing armies. Before this, when armed bodies were half mercenaries, half retainers, the former did not according to pocket or inclination, and if any man among them got separated from the main body in a fight there was little to distinguish him from the mercenary in the enemy ranks. One of the first steps towards a uniform dress was made in Gustavus Adolphus's Swedish army, and the idea made progress with the Englisharmies of the Great Rebellion. Personal choice of colonels, and more often mere convenience, decided what colours should be used. In Austria, for instance, colonels agreed on pearl grey, in order to obtain the dress material at wholesale prices. The French grey of the same period was, there is good reason to believe, chosen for reasons of the utility and cheapness of the cloth.

SHIPPING PERSONALIA.

Captain E. B. Jones, of the "Hupeh," has gone master, "Kaifong." Mr. E. T. Evans, second officer, "Chusan," is on reserve.

Mr. D. L. Davies, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Chusan." Captain G. H. Pennefather, from reserve, has gone master, "Hupeh." Mr. W. H. Bennett, acting chief officer, "Haiyang," has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. E. Walker, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Haiyang."

Captain C. H. Walker, of the "Kaifong," is on reserve.

Mr. W. Jones, from reserve, has gone supernumerary second officer, "Yensang."

Mr. J. J. Jones, second officer, "Kweichow," is on reserve.

Mr. J. E. Bryson, second officer, "Haiyang," is on reserve.

Mr. G. Taylor, second engineer, "Foochow," has gone second engineer, "Yingchow."

Mr. W. Brown, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Foochow."

Mr. J. R. Seed, third engineer, "Yingchow," has gone third engineer, "Foochow."

Mr. A. Knowles, third engineer, "Foochow," has gone third engineer, "Yingchow."

Mr. J. Henderson, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Huiching."

Mr. H. Christie, from leave, has gone chief engineer, "Chungking."

Mr. O. Jensen, chief engineer, "Chungking," is on reserve.

Mr. A. Tolksdorff, from reserve, has gone acting chief officer, "Kwanchi."

Mr. W. Bowden, from leave, has gone second engineer, "Kiangnan."

Mr. J. Ewing, from leave, has gone chief engineer, "Feiching."

Mr. W. Ferguson, third engineer, "Kiangnan," has gone third engineer, "Kwangtung."

Mr. M. P. Ferguson, chief engineer, "Kiangnan," has gone chief engineer, "Kungping."

Mr. A. Hodge, chief engineer, "Kungping," has gone chief engineer, "Kiangtung."

Mr. A. B. Dennee, from leave, has gone third engineer, "Feiching."

Mr. J. M. Bernado, third engineer, "Kiangfoo," has gone third engineer, "Kiangtung."

Mr. J. Johnson, third engineer, "Kiangtung," has gone second engineer, same ship...

Mr. S. Warland, chief officer, "Chaksang," is on reserve.

Mr. Wu J. Bookner, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Chaksang."

Mr. J. D. Carswell, third officer, "Kumsang," has gone supernumerary second officer, "Chipping."

Captain F. J. Gill, from reserve, has gone master, "Loongsang."

Mr. E. Porter, second officer, "Chipping," is on reserve.

Mr. J. S. Masson, chief officer, "Tuckoo," has gone chief officer, "Waishing."

Mr. E. M. Evans, chief officer, "Waishing," is on reserve.

RIGOLETTO.

The gay Duke of Mantua is assisted in his crime by his jester, Rigoletto, a hunchback. The father of one of the Duke's victims is mocked by Rigoletto and launches upon him a father's awful curse which stuns the jester as he too has a daughter, Guida, unknown to the Court. On his way home Rigoletto meets a professional assassin, Sparafucile, who offers, for a price, to kill any enemy he may have. Rigoletto says he need him later. The Duke in the guise of a young student has already met Guida not knowing who she is and the young girl has fallen in love with him. The Duke abducts her and takes her to the palace. The father goes to the palace but too late to save his daughter who pleads for the Duke's life but Rigoletto swears to kill him and arranges with the assassin Sparafucile to accomplish the deed. The Duke is lured to a lonely inn by the assassin's sister, Maddalena, and is about to be murdered when Maddalena, who takes a fancy to him, begs for his life to which Sparafucile will consent provided a substitute should happen along before midnight.

Mr. R. Frost, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Waishing."

Mr. D. J. Grant, from leave, has gone chief engineer, "Waishing."

Mr. A. J. Begley, chief engineer, "Waishing," has gone chief engineer, "Hopsang."

Mr. H. Kingswood, second engineer, "Kiangwo," is on leave.

Mr. A. Turnbull, chief engineer, "Hopsang," is on reserve.

Mr. J. Gray, supernumerary chief officer, "Kuwo," has gone chief officer, "Tuckoo."

Captain J. V. Simpson, of the "Loksang," is on reserve. Captain W. Mooney, from reserve, has gone master, "Loksang."

Mr. D. J. Corcoran, from leave, has gone second officer, "Luenho."

Captain C. A. Hill, of the "Wah-on," has resigned.

Mr. G. Pirie, chief officer, "Wah-on," has resigned.

Mr. P. Tall, chief officer, "Phranang," has resigned.

Mr. C. Jones, acting master, "Kwangping," has gone chief officer, same ship.

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Mr. W. E. Earle, acting chief officer, "Kaiping," has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. J. Reynolds has been appointed chief officer, "Amherst."

STRAIGHT AT IT.

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MUSICAL NOTES.

[By COUNTERPOINT.]

Readers of this column of notes will remember that some few weeks ago I stated that my friend Podolsky had informed me that the Russian Opera Company intended to give a season in Hongkong. This news has now been confirmed and details of the operas to be produced have already appeared in the advertisement columns of the local Press.

It is now some five or six years since grand opera was produced in these parts and many will remember with pleasure the fine performances given by the Italian Opera Company, their repertoire including most of the works to be given by the Russian Company.

I have been told by people who have heard both Companies that the Russians are much better than the Italians and this is borne out by the press notices of the former in the Far Eastern papers. I attended every performance of the latter Company, in Shanghai, and all agreed that it was the best ever heard in the East. If therefore, the Russians are an improvement then indeed we are assured of a musical feast and it is up to music lovers in Hongkong to patronise the Company to the utmost so that we may, perchance, be treated to a repetition later on.

However, there is not much doubt that there will be full houses every night for the seats are being eagerly booked up and those who desire to hear the Russians should lose no time in securing tickets.

The Company are playing some of the best known works of favourite composers. Verdi being given pride of place, for no less than four of his works are included, viz Aida, La Traviata, Il Trovatore and Rigoletto. Next comes Puccini with La Boheme, Madame Butterfly, and La Tosca. Massagni with Cavalleria Rusticana, Leoncavallo with I Pagliacci; Ponchielli with La Gioconda; Bizet with Carmen and Gounod with Faust.

I learn also that Delibes' Lakme will possibly be given as a matinee.

It will be observed therefore, that barring Wagner, the very cream of operatic gems have been selected.

As the operas are to be sung in Russian, a brief synopsis of each piece will perhaps be useful to intending opera goers.

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HATS IN PARLIAMENT.

Long before the late Mr. Keir Hardie entered the House of Commons in a deerstalker's helmet the soft hat had been recognised as symptomatic of advanced views in the wearer (writes "D.P." in the *Manchester Guardian*, and anyone observing in such things might have identified the four Parliamentary candidates for Rusholme, by their clothes alone. Number one (from left to right) wears a soft hat; clearly the owner is "advanced," but the hat is new, good, and shapely, so he is not extreme. He is too much in earnest to "dress," and his trousers are positively inelegant. His attitude is philosophically Radical—evidently Mr. Pringle. Number two wears the fashionable bowler that goes with King and Constitution; there is richness in the velvet-collared overcoat, the only garment of the three exhibited that really fits its wearer. There is elegance in the button-hole, and costliness in the muffler. His are the only trousers with an obvious crease. He is the only candidate wearing gloves and spats; indubitably he represents the prosperous classes, stability, and Empire, and is Captain Thorpe. One need only refer to the hat of number three. It is aggressively soft and shapeless—revolutionary, in a word; Dr. Dunstan, of course. The fourth candidate must naturally be Captain Crewdon, and his clothes are appropriate to his politics. There is Conservatism in the hard bowler, but the remainder of his attire is careless and unofficial. He is "off" the regular party line, and his easy attitude shows it.

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A FINANCIAL PIG.

The exchange value of our sovereign abroad and its depreciated purchasing power at home remind one of an incident in which a witty Russian clown, named Durov, figured at Petrograd some thirty years ago. He was giving a performance with a pig trained to various feats. At the man's command the animal took up from the ground a number of Russian coins, including imperials and small copper coins. When, however, some rouble notes were thrown down the pig refused to pick them up even though whipped. Great amusement was caused by this discriminating act, and it was intensified as a voice from the gallery cried to the clown: "You block-head, if the Finance Minister could not raise the paper rouble in four months, how can you expect a 'pig' to do it?" Though a popular favourite, the clown received orders to leave the city at once.

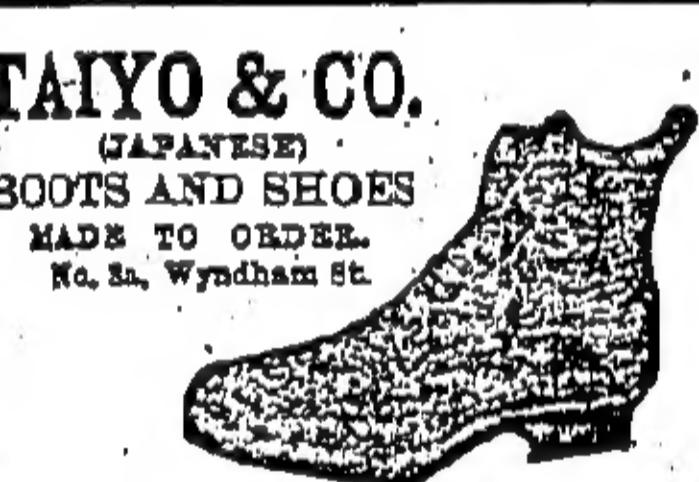
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" On demand	... 5/-
" 30 days' sight	... 5/-
" 4 months' sight	... 5/-
Credits 4 months' sight	... 5/-
Documentary, 4 months' sight 5/-	5/-

On Paris	
On demand	... 1060
Credits 4 months' sight	... 1060
On New York	
On demand	... 854
Credits 80 days' sight	... 974
On Bombay	
On demand	... 214
Credits	... 214
On Calcutta	
On demand	... 213
Credits	... 213
On Shanghai	
On demand	... 200
On Yokohama	
On demand	... 189
Gold Leaf, 100 fin. (per tael)	... 81.90
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) \$ 3.95	
Silver (per oz.)	76

SUBSIDARY COINS.	
Hongkong 50 cents sub. par.	
" 10	... 5% p.m.
" 5	... 54% p.m.
Chinese coins	... 6% p.m.
Bar Silver in Hongkong	... 58% p.m.
Chinese Copper Cash	... 6% p.m.
Rate of Native Interest	7% p.m.
Chinese Sub. Coin	6% p.m.
Hongkong Sub. Coin	4% p.m.

Hongkong, January 3, 1920.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PLATE CAPITAL \$100,000,000.

RESERVE FUNDS \$10,000,000.

BALANCE SHEET \$100,000,000.

RESERVE FUND AND RESERVE LIABILITIES OF SHAREHOLDERS \$750,000.

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FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

THE CHINESE DAILY PRESS."

PANIC IN PEKING.

PEKING, January 5th.—Panic prevailed in the Chinese city last night in consequence of a report that Feng Kuo-chuan's troops, which were located at Nanyuan, had mustered and were marching on Cheemun in order to join the larger corps who were quickly closing and the people in the restaurants hurriedly left for their homes.

Fortunately official assurances of the rumour being unfounded calmed the populace. The shops were opened again, and business became normal.

WORK OF THE WOMEN POLICE.

Mrs. Stanley, superintendent of the Women's Police Force, giving details of the work of that body, said that during the war there were two or three voluntary organisations which did excellent service. The conditions then were abnormal, but now that the country is in a more settled state it was considered that women engaged on police work should come under the constituted police authority. There were, however, other police-women dressed very much like the official policewomen. She added that the real woman in blue could be quite easily distinguished by the letters "M.P." on her collar, and also by her official numerals. In addition, the official policewoman wears the "on duty" badge. The official women's police have formed a division of their own and have their own female officers. "We are up to our sanctioned strength," said Mrs. Stanley, "viz., 100 policewomen, ten sergeants, an assistant superintendent, and superintendent." The best answer to the question, "Do the women like the work?" was supplied by the large number of applications which have poured in. Under the new rates of pay women patrols received 48s per week, rising by 2s a week to 55s; sergeants, 60s, rising by 2s a week to 70s.

The women work on the most friendly terms with the men," continued Mrs. Stanley, "and do shifts of seven hours, from ten in the morning until midnight. Their work is preventive, and they deal with any matters affecting the welfare of women and children. They have received thorough training, so that they are able to assist the male police in dealing with street accidents. They have no power of arrest, and the statement that has been made that they have filled the prisons through the medium of the male police is absolutely incorrect. We have one woman appointed as welfare assistant, and the women patrols take any girl they have dealings with to this official, who is in close touch with philanthropic and rescue societies, and by these means the girl is passed on to a suitable home." Mrs. Stanley added that the work of the women's police was entirely in the nature of an experiment, and she could not state definitely whether the numbers would be increased.

A CLEAN STAGE.
BISHOP OF LONDON ON VIRTUE OF A GOOD LAUGH.

The Bishop of London presided on November 4th at a conference at St. Martin's Vestry of representatives of theatrical managers, actors, authors, and critics. The conference was called through the London Council for the Promotion of Public Morality to consider the question of licensing all employers of theatrical labour.

The Bishop of London said that the Public Morality Council was not in the slightest degree opposed to theatres and music halls. He enjoyed a good play as much as anybody else in London. As to the music halls, people must have amusement, and a good laugh did everyone a lot of good. What we will not have is filth, said the Bishop. "We are not going to have people go to the theatres to hear things which degrade them. The Christian people of London intend to be masters of their own household, and they intend to proceed until they stop this sort of thing. We fully believe the great majority of managers, authors, and actor-managers are also anxious to stop it, and it is not the wish of the great acting profession to have such things performed in London."

Mr. Sydney Valentine, President of the Actors' Association, said that the tendency of the theatres lately had been downward. Since the war they had had many cases of roving companies run by men of very low class, who engaged any type of girl, and took them to the small provincial towns. When business was good they paid the girls a mere pittance, and when it was bad they paid them nothing at all, and the girls were constantly left stranded in all parts of the kingdom.

A resolution was carried favouring the licensing of employers of theatrical labour, and it was decided to ask the Lord Chamberlain to receive a deputation on the subject.

WEATHER REPORT.

January 7d. 12h. 10am.—No return from Vladivostock or Japanese stations. Pressure has decreased considerably at Weihaiwei, and slightly to moderately at other reporting stations. The anticyclones have moved eastward and another anticyclone has developed over China. Fresh to strong monsoon will prevail along the China coast and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 am. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.00 inches. against an average of 0.15 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on January 8th, 1890.

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock, N. and N.E. winds, fresh to strong; fine.

2.—North Channel N. winds, strong to gale.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

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ROYAL OBSERVATORY,
HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

JANUARY 7, 1890.—AM.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Wind.			
		Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Pressure.	Weather.
Vladivostok	6a.	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	6a.	—	—	—	—	—
Hokkaido	6a.	—	—	—	—	—
Iwate	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fukuoka	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chinsu	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shimoda	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sakhalin Island	—	—	—	—	—	—
Weihaiwei	8a.	30.03	25.76	W.W.	7	—
Hankow	—	—	—	—	—	—
Changchun	—	—	—	—	—	—
Changsha	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	—	30.35	34.55	N.W.	4	—
Amoy	—	30.23	34.55	N.W.	6	—
Macau	—	31.13	43.75	W.	2	—
Wuchow	—	30.20	32.75	W.W.	2	b
Swatow	—	30.18	64.95	S.	1	—
Putuo	—	30.18	64.95	S.	1	—
Yichun	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fukien	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pescadores	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	—	30.37	43.65	S.	6	b
Hongkong	—	30.21	58.34	N.	4	—
Cap Rock	—	30.20	58.34	N.W.	4	—
Kacao	—	30.19	52.47	N.W.	4	—
Labuan	—	29.97	72.95	—	0	—
Malaya	—	29.88	72.95	—	0	—
Lapak	—	29.88	73.95	W.	1	—
Holbo	—	29.85	75.95	S.	4	—
Singapo	—	30.15	51	N.W.	6	—
Guan	—	29.97	72.95	—	0	—
Labuan	—	29.88	72.95	—	0	—
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.						

Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 7, 1890.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.

3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.

5. VELOCITY OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.

6. STATE OF WEATHER, a blue sky, a detached cloud, a drizzling rain, fog, gloomy, hail, lightning, overcast, passing showers, equal rain, snow, thunder visibility w. d. wet.

7. RAIN is inches tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1890-9.

The rate of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 6 inches and on the gauge M. Lamont Dougall, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

January 8 to 14, 1890.

	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
12h.	Mean Tide.	Mean Tide.
Thur. 8	6.20	4.65
Fri. 9	10.57	7.75
Sat. 10	14.47	12.72
Sun. 11	12.22	10.45
Mon. 12	9.45	8.25
Tue. 13	6.25	5.25
Wed. 14	0.04	0.04

At Hongkong Mean Tide.

At Amoy Mean Tide.

At Canton Mean Tide.

At Macau Mean Tide.

At Wuchow Mean Tide.

At Hainan Mean Tide.

At Keelung Mean Tide.

At Tsin Shau Tsui Mean Tide.

At Tsim Sha Tsui Mean Tide.

At Tung Ping Chau Mean Tide.